## **STATE BOARD MEETING DATE** September 25, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Consideration of Review Case #C-2006—028R, Patricia Flores

**SUBMITTED BY:** Rachell L. Tucker, Chief Investigator, Investigative Unit, State Board of

Education

MANAGEMENT TEAM REVIEW: September 7, 2006

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Patricia Flores applied for a Standard Secondary teaching certificate on January 6, 2006. On her application for certification, Ms. Flores answered "yes" to having received a reprimand or other disciplinary action involving any professional certificate or license.

The Texas State Board of Educator Certification, Professional Discipline Unit received a report that Ms. Flores submitted an altered or fictitious ExCET score report. On or about June 24, 2003, Ms. Flores agreed to the Voluntary Relinquishment of her Texas Educator Certificate in lieu of revocation proceedings. Ms. Flores denies the allegations but to avoid the uncertainty and cost of litigation, agreed to voluntarily surrender her Texas Educator Certificated.

The Professional Practices Advisory Committee (the "PPAC") interviewed Ms. Flores on August 23, 2006. At this proceeding, the PPAC found that Ms. Flores' conduct does not constituted immoral and unprofessional conduct based on the following:

Ms. Flores explained that she had taken the proficiency exam for a teaching certificate in the area of social studies without using a barcode as required by the State of Texas. As a result, there was a discrepancy in the score reports sent to the Texas State Board for Educator Certification. She further stated that it was an unintentional error on her part. Ms. Flores as completed and passed all required proficiency exams in the State of Arizona.

## BOARD ACTION REQUESTED: [ ] INFORMATION [X] ACTION/DESCRIBED BELOW

That the Board accept the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendation of the PPAC and grant Patricia Flores' application for certification.

ATTACHMENTS: YES [X] NO [ ]